

The Revelation of Jesus Christ (Part II)

Christ is the Vine

For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the men of Judah his pleasant plant: and he looked for judgment, but behold oppression; for righteousness, but behold a cry.

Isaiah 5:7 (KJV) 

In the above verse we see that the men of Judah were considered the vine, but if we read this chapter further we learn that the God has allowed this vineyard (Israel) to be trodden down because it brought forth “wild grapes”. Compare this verse to **Luke 21:24 KJV** .



I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

John 15:5 (KJV) 

In the New Testament we see that Christ has become the vine. This is bad news for those who believe they are grafted in to the Jewish race. They learn Hebrew; they say Yahweh this and Yeshua that and generally try to live under the Law as if they were Jews. Some even pray to Yahweh! Be warned:

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

John 14:6 (KJV) 

You cannot go through any other person, even the Father; the only way to the Father is through Jesus Christ!

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

John 10:16 (KJV) 

You are not a Jew unless you were born one my friend. There are two folds, the Jew and Gentile. We are not grafted in to the Jewish race but Christ Himself.

He that hath the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy therefore is fulfilled.

John 3:29 (KJV) 

And Jesus said unto them, Can the children of the bridechamber mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken from them, and then shall they fast.

Matthew 9:15 (KJV) 

The Gentiles are the Bride, the Jew the “friend of the Bridegroom” or “children of the bridechamber”.

And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

Luke 21:24 (KJV) 

Blindness Removed

So referring back to **Romans 11:25 (KJV)** , we know that Israel is partially blinded, but what is this blindness precisely? It is blindness to the fact that it is Jesus Christ who is and always was their Messiah! So the Revelation of Jesus Christ is the story of the removal of this blindness from the Jewish race and the rest of the world.

And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the LORD shut him in.

Genesis 7:16 (KJV) 

God's Word plainly tells us that "**The Door Shall Close**", and once the door is shut there will be no more let in. Once the Bride has been removed I believe that anyone else who gets to Heaven will be either “friends of the Bridegroom” (Jews) or tribulation saints. The “times of the Gentiles” being over does not mean that no Gentile will get into Heaven from then on, but that the Bride has been removed.

And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

Revelation 12:5 (KJV) 

And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days.

Revelation 12:6 (KJV) 

Although the two above verses are concurrent a two thousand year gap consisting of the “times of the Gentiles” (**Luke 21:24 KJV** ) splits them. This story of the woman of Revelation 12 completely leaves out this dispensation because the story of the “Revelation of Jesus Christ” is about His Chosen people Israel, not the Bride.

So now that we understand what this blindness is and that it is not removed until all of the Gentiles who are to be saved come in one question remains: What happens next? I believe that “until the fullness of the Gentiles be come in” means the full number of those who will accept Christ by faith alone. With the things that are coming to the world during the tribulation period only fools will not believe. Unfortunately there will be many who actually believe that they can battle the Lamb and win! Such are the deceptive powers of the Beast and his false prophet.

Just as many Jews are to be taken in the rapture with the Bride because they believed in Christ, many Gentiles will also be converted after the rapture. I believe the “Tribulation saints” will consist of those who would not believe by faith in Christ and only do so once He has revealed Himself to the Jews and the rest of the world. Most of these saints will suffer great persecution and be martyred.

Does God Change?

Knowing the blueprint that God gave us does anyone really believe he will not remove His bride first? I think it is foolishness to believe that God would shut the door and leave His bride to fend for herself against the antichrist when He has such a rich history of removing His people from harm's way. Remember the blueprint of Luke 17, because I believe that it applies to both the Bride and the friend of the Bridegroom (The Jew).

In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back. Remember Lot's wife.

Luke 17:31-32 (KJV) 

Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

Matthew 24:16 (KJV) 

Meanwhile even as He has just removed His bride He is now focused on protecting Israel, so this blueprint applies just as much to them.

This article completely bypasses all pre, mid or post tribulation theories. I leave those for you to wrestle with. The point I want to make from scripture is that there is a “time of the Gentiles” that will come to an end. It is only once this has happened that the Revelation of Jesus Christ to the Jew as their true messiah takes place.

